# PUBLIC BENEFITS FOR IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS

Ashna Hafeez, MSW
Health Justice Organizer
SSIP



## What is working well?

- VTTC Benefits (Victims of Trafficking, Torture and Other Serious Crimes)
  - Medical, Food and
     Cash Assistance
  - Recently arriving

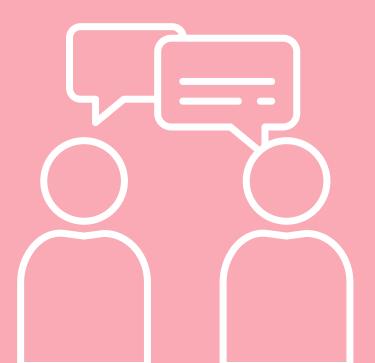
     families needing
     assistance while they
     get set-up.

- HBIA & HBIS Redetermination applications
  - Ensuring people keep their health insurance.
  - Connecting community
     members to FHQC's and
     other providers for care.



#### Best Practices from SSIP

- Following up & requesting expediting services
- Workshop model to serve more community members
- Empowering community members





### Building Social Infastructure



- Community Health Worker's and training navigators on other applications.
- Assisting clients on weekly basis & weekend events
- Partnerships- SSIP knows we can not do it all, and we need other strong partners to meet the needs.

#### How We Cope & Lessons Others Could Use

- Implement staff listening sessions
- Set up support systems to check-in with staff and team members
- Implement rest and practice boundaries

